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Lalitha Mahal set for major revival

▶ Dec. 20 deadline for long-awaited restoration bid ▶ Global tender route for Rs. 50 crore renovation
▶ Private operators to restore and manage hotel ▶ 30-year lease period fixed; Rs. 4 cr. annual amount

Mysuru, Dec. 3 (BLU&DM)- Finally, Mysuru's iconic Lalitha Mahal Palace Hotel is poised for a major overhaul, with Dec. 20 set as final date for submitting tender applications. The tendering process is expected to conclude by March 2026, clearing the way for renovation work to begin in August 2026.

The century-old palace hotel has been steadily deteriorating due to years of inadequate maintenance.

Structural sections have weakened, plaster has peeled off in several areas and rainwater continues to seep through the roof during the monsoon.

Officials have cautioned that without urgent intervention, the heritage structure risks further and more serious damage. Taking note of the situation, the State Government has decided to move ahead with a full-scale restoration.

Expert assessments placed the renovation cost at around Rs. 50 crore. However, given financial constraints, the Government opted against direct funding.

Instead, it approved a plan to hand over both renovation and future management of Lalitha Mahal Palace to private operators through a contract — a decision already cleared by the State Cabinet.

The Palace Hotel, currently under Jungle Lodges and Resorts (JLR), will be restored and run by whichever company secures the global tender.

(See LALITHA MAHAL on page 7)

KSRTC plans four new depots to ease pressure

Connectivity to Peripheral Ring Road, Greater Mysuru spurs mega proposal

Mysuru, Dec. 3 (RK&BCT)- With the State Government moving to upgrade Mysuru into a Grade-1 Municipal Corporation (Greater Mysuru City Corporation) to accommodate growth over the next 25-30 years, the city's transport division has begun drafting a major proposal to establish four advanced bus depots across four key directions of the city and a dedicated City Bus Terminal.

As Mysuru expands and demand for public transport surges along the Outer Ring Roads, officials are identifying strategic locations for new depots and a terminal. With new layouts emerging and more areas added to city limits, the pressure on the existing network has increased sharply.

The proposal aims to leverage the upcoming Peripheral Ring Road to facilitate seamless, direct bus operations from multiple points throughout the city. Transport Department officials plan to submit this proposal to Transport Minister R. Ramalinga Reddy within the next two to three days. Reports indicate the Minister has shown keen interest in the project.

Rising passenger load

Passenger numbers have been rising steadily every year, especially during the Dasara season when additional buses are deployed. Both the City Bus Stand on Sayyaji Rao Road and the Sub-Urban Bus Stand on Bengaluru-Nilgiri Road are operating beyond capacity.

(See KSRTC on page 7)

Existing depots and expansion plans

Veeresh

At present, Mysuru has three depots — Hinkal, Kuvempunagar and Sathagalli. To strengthen connectivity with peripheral regions, plans are being drawn up for new depots along Hunsur, T. Narasipur, Nanjangud and H.D. Kote routes, making these points origin hubs for bus operations. A standalone City Bus Terminal is also part of proposal. As instructed by Transport Minister Ramalinga Reddy, initial proposal will club all four depots and terminal, after which a DPR will be prepared, based either on Bannimantap model or an alternative design.

Meanwhile, KSRTC has sought approval for another 100 electric buses for Mysuru district, with infrastructure for their maintenance being readied at Bannimantap. A proposal has also been submitted to set up a bus station at Tagaduru.

H.T. Veeresh, Divisional Controller, KSRTC, Urban Division, said discussions were held with Minister and proposal to be submitted in the coming days, along with a request to district administration for land allocation.

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

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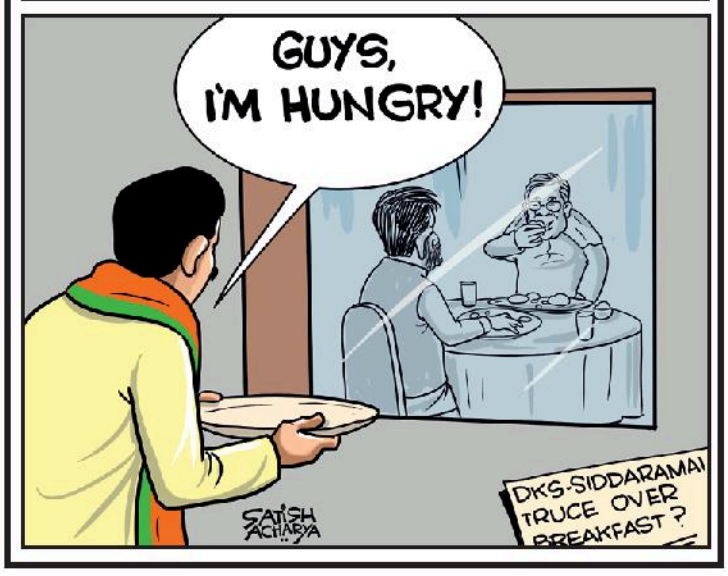
Mysuru, Wednesday 3rd December 2025

STAR PUNCH

By Satish Acharya



EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

International Day of Persons with Disabilities (Dec. 3) is an international observance promoted by the United Nations with an aim to promote an understanding of disability issues and mobilise support for the dignity, rights and well-being of persons with disabilities.

Once upon a time in a concentration camp, there lived a prisoner who, even though he was under sentence of execution, was fearless and free. One day he was seen in the middle of the prison square playing his guitar. A large crowd gathered to listen for, under the spell of the music, they became as fearless as he. When the prison authorities saw this, they forbade the man to play. But the next day, there he was again, singing and playing on his guitar with a larger crowd around him. The guards angrily dragged him away and broke his fingers.

Next day he was back, singing and making what music he could with his bleeding fingers. This time crowds were cheering. The guards dragged him away again and smashed his guitar. The following day he was singing with all his heart. What a song! So pure and uplifting! The crowd joined in and while the singing lasted, their hearts became as pure as his and their spirits as invincible. So angry were the guards this time that they injured his tongue. A hush descended on the camp. To the astonishment of everyone, he was back at his place the next day swaying and dancing to a silent music that only he could hear. And soon everyone was holding hands and dancing around his broken figure in the centre while the guards stood rooted to the ground in wonder...

A schoolboy with a polio-stricken right hand went on to become one of the greatest Indian bowlers the game has seen — he is B.S. Chandrasekhar.

Sri Lankan off-spinner Muttiah Muralitharan was born with a slight bend in the arm and despite unnerving comments on his rather unconventional bowling action by players and umpires, he went on to bag 800 scalps in Test cricket! A no mean feat by any means. Recently, India's blind women cricketers created history by winning the first-ever Blind Women's T20 Cricket World Cup...

American President Theodore Roosevelt observed, "Believe you can and you're halfway there."

As Rabindranath Tagore reminded us, adversity cannot diminish the strength of the human spirit. He wrote, "Let us not pray to be sheltered from dangers but to be fearless when facing them." Ultimately, human beings may be challenged, even broken, but true resolve is never defeated.

— Sumit Paul in The Times of India

NEWS SPARKLERS

Man with 137 T-shirts runs marathon!

Idaho: A serial Guinness World Record-breaker ran a half marathon in Idaho while wearing 137 T-shirts.

David Rush, who holds most Guinness World Records titles, originally set the record for the most T-shirts worn during a half marathon at 111 in 2019.

He lost his record a few years later by a runner wearing 127 shirts. Rush attempted the record at the Famous Idaho Potato Half Marathon, but had to call it off when he started to lose circulation in his neck. He returned to the same marathon this year, and this time managed to finish the race while wearing 137 shirts.

Docs pull out lighter from man's stomach

Beijing: A 67-year-old man surnamed Deng from Chengdu in China, began experiencing abdominal bloating and pain a month ago, but initially shrugged it off as symptoms of gastroenteritis. When his condition had worsened, he visited a hospital where doctors noticed a strange, smooth, blackened cuboid corroded by stomach acid deep in the man's stomach.

After confirming the foreign object was a cigarette lighter, the doctors performed a medical procedure and pulled out the lighter which was corroded and blackened by stomach acid.

Although the lighter's casing had been corroded and blackened by stomach acid, it still had gas inside, and doctors were shocked to find that it still worked.

HEALTH CAPSULE

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No power supply tomorrow

Mysuru, Dec. 3 - As Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) has taken up its 2nd quarterly maintenance works at Devanur Power Distribution Centre, there will be disruption in power supply tomorrow (Dec. 4) between 10 am and 6 pm in the following areas:

Devanur Power Distribution Centre: Mahadevapura Main Road, Prajwal Hospital, Sathagalli A and B Zones, Eidgah Maidan, Bharathnagar, Shaktinagar, Rajkumar Road, Nehrunagar, VTU Centre and surrounding areas, Manasinagar,Vidyashankar Layout, Beedi Colony, Rajivnagar, Triveni Circle, Devegowda Circle and surrounding areas.

As Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL) has taken up its 2nd and 3rd quarterly maintenance works at Jyothinagar and Chidravalli Power Distribution Centres, there will be disruption in power supply tomorrow (Dec. 4) between 10 am and 5.30 pm in the following areas:

Jyothinagar Power Distribution Centre: Jalapuri, Gayathripuram, Chamundi Vihar Layout, Gopalgowda Hospital, Vidyashankar Layout, Yaraganahalli, Rajkumar Road, Raghavendranagar, Rajivnagar, Shaktinagar, Ghousianagar, Kyathamaranahalli, Rekhadevi Block, Teresian College, Teacher's Layout and Mahadevapura Road.

Chidravalli Power Distribution Centre: Chidravalli, Ukkalagere, Somananthapura villages and Gram Panchayat limits, according to a press release from CESC Executive Engineers, N.R. Mohalla and Nanjangud Divisions.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM	KABINI DAM	HARANGI DAM
Maximum **124.80 feet**	Maximum **2,284 feet**	Maximum **2,859 feet**
Today's level **122.76 feet**	Today's level **2,276.48 feet**	Today's level **2,838.76 feet**
Last year's level **124.70 feet**	Last year's level **2,279.36 feet**	Last year's level **2,835.21 feet**
Yesterday's level **122.74 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,276.61 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,840.27 feet**
Today's Inflow **3,701 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **1,044 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **367 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **3,190 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **1,800 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **1,200 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- ***Basilisk lizard:** Also called the "Jesus lizard," it can run across the top of water to escape predators.*
- ***Cuckoo bird:** Lays its eggs in other birds' nests and the first chick out of the egg pushes the other eggs out.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Officer: *Who takes bribe in this office?*

Sam: *If I say that, what will you give me?!*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 90.28
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 119.06
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 24.58
1 Euro	= Rs. 105.16

VOICE OF THE READER

Public Urination

Shame of Dhanvanthri Road

Sir,

Dhanvanthri Road, a bustling hub of commerce with its popular hotels, pharmacies and stores, is facing a growing crisis that assaults the senses and threatens public health.

Despite being a frequently visited area, a pervasive and foul stench of urine hangs in the air, revealing a disturbing lack of civic sense and public decency.

The source of this problem is the shameless act of public urination, which has turned parts of the road, especially areas where four-wheelers are parked, into open-air toilets.

Offenders act with shocking impunity, showing no hesitation or shame as they relieve themselves in full public view. Their blatant disregard for their surroundings is deeply troubling, as they carry on even as children, girls and women pass by or sit in their parked vehicles.

This uncivilised behaviour forces families and visitors to witness an act that is not only offensive but also deeply disrespectful to the community.

The consequences extend beyond just a disgusting smell. The unsanitary conditions pose a serious health risk to the public and create an unwelcoming environment for patrons of local businesses.

For a street that should be defined by its vibrant commercial activity, it is instead becoming known for a problem that belongs to a bygone era. It is a daily ordeal for shop owners and a nauseating experience for anyone visiting the area.

I strongly urge the authorities concerned to take immediate and serious action. This is not a minor inconvenience; it is a public health hazard and a stain on our heritage city's image.

Increased patrolling, strict enforcement of penalties for public urination and a review of public sanitation facilities are desperately needed. The citizens and businesses of Dhanvanthri Road deserve a clean, safe and respectful environment.

—Anwar Baig

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Smart India Hackathon at VVCE on Dec. 8, 9

Mysuru, Dec. 3- Vidyavardhaka College of Engineering (VVCE), Mysuru, an autonomous institute affiliated to Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU), has been selected as nodal centre for Smart India Hackathon (SIH 2025), now in its 8th edition. The event will be held on Dec. 8 and 9 at Kempegowda Indoor Sports Complex, VVCE, Gokulam.

A major highlight will be the virtual address by Prime Minister Modi on Dec. 8 reaching young innovators across the nation.

SIH 2025 is jointly organised by the Ministry of Education's Innovation Cell (MIC), Government of India, All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), and i4C (Inter-Institutional Inclusive Innovations Centre).

VVCE is one of the five nodal centres chosen from Karnataka for the Software Edition of SIH 2025, representing Mysuru region. After its successful hosting of SIH in 2023 and 2024, VVCE has once again been entrusted with this responsibility.

Nationally, SIH 2025 will be conducted across 60 nodal centres, including 42 Software Edition centres and 18 Hardware Edition centres.

At VVCE nodal centre, 20 teams with 140 participants from premier institutions across India will compete to develop innovative solutions to real-world challenges based on problem statements provided by AICTE.

GI Mahotsav 3.0 at CFTRI to showcase India's heritage

4-day expo of 50 stalls for GI-registered artisans from Dec. 5

Mysuru, Dec. 3 (BCT)- India's extraordinary cultural, ecological and artisanal diversity shines through its Geographical Indication (GI) products — creations rooted in traditional knowledge, regional practices and community heritage. Each GI item embodies the skill, identity and legacy of the communities that have safeguarded these traditions for generations.

To promote India's vibrant GI ecosystem and strengthen market linkages for traditional producers, the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME), Government of India, has been driving a series of national GI events.

NABARD-Madurai Agri Business Incubation Forum (MABIF) is organising GI Mahotsav 3.0 — Geographical Indication Products Exhibition from Dec. 5 to 8 at CSIR-Central Food Technological Research Institute (CSIR-CFTRI), Mysuru.

The four-day expo-cum-sale, open from 10 am to 5 pm, is being held in collaboration with the Ministry of MSME, NABARD, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University (TNAU) and CSIR-CFTRI.

Inaugural session

The inaugural ceremony on Dec. 5 will feature dignitaries including Er. K. Ganesh Moorthy, Executive Director and CEO of NABARD-MABIF; Dr. Giridhar Parvatam, Director, CSIR-CFTRI, who will preside; Devaraj, Joint Director of MSME; Dr. P. P. Mahendran, Dean, AC&RI, TNAU, Madurai; Dr. E. Somasundaram, Director, DABD, TNAU, Coimbatore and Dr. S. Senthil Vinayagam, Director, IIPM.

The inaugural session will also include the signing of an MoU between MABIF and CSIR-CFTRI to promote innovation, research collaboration and entrepreneurial development in the GI and agri-food sector.

Visitors can attend technical sessions led by industry experts, enjoy cultural programmes celebrating regional arts and traditions and listen to success stories from GI associations, Farmer-Producer Organisations (FPOs) and startups.

A special session during the valedictory on Dec. 8 will highlight notable achievements. GI Mahotsav 3.0 will feature nearly 50 curated stalls exclusively for GI-registered artisans, showcasing and selling authentic GI products from across South India.

The event offers visitors a rare chance to explore heritage crafts and produce, engage directly with traditional artisans and support rural entrepreneurs. The Mahotsav aims to boost market visibility for GI communities, strengthen sustainable livelihoods based on traditional skills and foster innovation within the GI ecosystem.

With thousands of visitors expected, GI Mahotsav 3.0 promises to be a vibrant celebration of India's GI heritage and a platform empowering the communities that preserve it.

From silk to sandalwood: Mysuru's GI legacy

A total of 46 products from Karnataka have received the prestigious Geographical Indication (GI) tag, with 16 of them originating from the Mysuru region.

The GI-tagged products from Mysuru showcase the region's rich cultural and artisanal heritage. They include the Nanjangud Banana, Mysore Mallige, Mysore Betel Leaf, Mysore Silk, Mysore Agarbathi, Mysore Rosewood Inlay, Mysore Sandalwood Oil, Mysore Sandal Soap, Mysore Traditional Paintings, Ganjifa Cards, Ganjifa Cards (Logo), Mysore Silk (Logo), Coorg Orange, Channapatna Dolls, Coorg Green Cardamom, and Coorg Arabica Coffee.

Together, these products reflect the diversity and craftsmanship of Mysuru and its surrounding areas, underscoring the region's enduring contribution to Karnataka's GI legacy.

MCCI welcomes Silk Museum plan in city

Lingaraju

Mysuru, Dec. 3 (BS)- K.B. Lingaraju, President of Mysore Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI), has welcomed the decision of Central Silk Board (CSB) to establish the country's first Silk Museum in city.

In a press release, Lingaraju stated that it was indeed a matter of great happiness that the Central Government has given its accord for setting up India's first Silk Museum in Mysuru city.

"It will prove a significant contribution to the tourism industry that will provide a platform to reach out more with the indigenous handicrafts, sculpture, culture and heritage," he said.

"The Silk Museum shall come in handy in providing information related to distinct methods followed in the production of silk, with a suitable guidance to young farmers," he said adding that "The pride of Mysuru may get a fillip as the city is visited by burgeoning number of tourists, students and researchers to name a few, among several other fields."

Its addition to the list of tourist attractions shall spur economical growth too, added Lingaraju.

Devotional music on Dec. 5

Suma *Shyam* *Chetan*

Mysuru, Dec. 3- As part of Hanuma Jayanti, Vidushi Suma Harinath will present a devotional music concert at Kote Anjaneyaswamy temple premises in city at 7 pm on Dec. 5.

The programme is organised under the aegis of The Sri Chamundeshwari Temple Development Authority.

Vidushi Suma Harinath will be accompanied by Vidwan V. Shyam on mridanga and Vidwan C. Chetan on violin.

NEWS BRIEFS

Bharatanatyam Workshop

Nrutyonnati, a Bharatanatyam Workshop by Vidu. Divya Ravi, has been organised at Ruthvik Vedike, Jayalakshmidevi PU College in Ramakrishnanagar, Mysuru, on Dec. 6 and 7, under the aegis of Abhivyakthi Centre for Art and Culture, Mysuru. For details, contact Mob: 74060-56096.

Free Cancer Clinic

A free Cancer Detection Clinic has been organised at Preethi Cancer Centre, No. 873, Vani Vilas Road, Lakshmipuram, Mysuru, on Dec. 4 from 10 am to 8 pm. For details, contact Ph: 0821-4259259.

Appointed to BJP Mysuru City Unit

E. Ramesh *M.S. Puneeth*

E. Ramesh has been appointed as the Vice-President of BJP Mysuru City Unit. Ramesh is an active BJP leader of the city for the past several years.

Meanwhile, **M.S. Puneeth,** a resident of Manchegowdana Koppal (M.G. Koppal) in city, has been appointed as the Secretary of BJP Mysuru City Unit. Puneeth is also a long time BJP worker and a close associate of City BJP President and former Chamaraja MLA L. Nagendra, according to a press release.

Ph.D awardees

Ramesh S. Puttannanavar has been awarded Ph.D in Library and Information Science by the University of Mysore (UoM) for his thesis 'Scientometric Analysis of Non-Conventional Energy Research Literature' submitted under the guidance of Dr. Khaiser Jahan Begum.

H.S. Arunkumar has been awarded Ph.D in Library and Information Science by the University of Mysore (UoM) for his thesis 'User Attitude and Perception towards Mobile Library Services of Public Libraries in Karnataka: A Survey' submitted under the guidance of Dr. Khaiser Jahan Begum.

Female foeticide: Health Minister for stricter enforcement of law

Mysuru, Dec. 3 (PM&BS)- Health and Family Welfare Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao has instructed the officers, to lay more emphasis on the stricter enactment of laws, pertaining to the prevention of female foeticide and to maintain sex ratio and to organise special awareness programmes.

Minister Rao came out with several observations and instructions, during the progress review meeting of Health and Family Welfare Department, Mysuru Division, at the auditorium of Regional Commissioner's office in city on Monday.

Health and Family Welfare Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao chairing the progress review meeting of Health & Family Welfare Dept., Mysuru Division, at the auditorium of Regional Commissioner's office in city on Monday.

Sex ratio

Referring to the statistics provided by officials, Rao said, in Mandya district alone, the sex ratio is; 908 females per 1,000 males (which was corrected by the District Officers as 936 girl children, as mentioned in RCH data). While it was 915 in 2024, it was 879 in 2023, 882 in 2022, 872 in 2021 and 887 in 2020.

Does this mean, the prevention of female foeticide remains a mirage? asked Rao, who sounded sceptical over the effective action against female foeticide.

Zero Maternal Deaths

Quoting the Zero Preventable Maternal Deaths programme announced in 2025-26 budget, Rao categorically instructed the officers for effective implementation of the protocol in toto, to reduce maternal mortality rate. The mothers should be nursed with proper care, to prevent infant mortality rate too, added Rao.

Check caesarean...

The officers were told to encourage normal deliveries rather than performing deliveries through caesarean (C-section). A campaign involving both the Government and private hospitals should be conducted, he added.

Stating that, over 3,000 posts of Health Safety Officers are vacant in PHCs, Rao assured to fill at least 30 percent of the posts within July 2026.

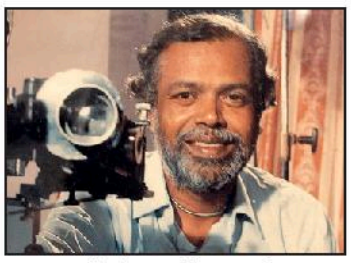
Mysuru Division

Divisional Director of Health Department, Mysuru Division, Dr. Mallika said, the very division comprises four District Hospitals and six Medical Colleges, 2,249 Health and Welfare Centres and 96 Namma Clinics functioning among total 108 Namma Clinics sanctioned for Mysuru Division.

MLC C.N. Manjegowda, Regional Commissioner Nitesh Patil, National Health Mission Director Dr. Avinash Menon Rajendran, Zilla Panchayat (ZP) CEO S. Ukesh Kumar, Mysuru District Health Officer (DHO) Dr. P.C. Kumaraswamy, Chamarajanagar DHO Dr. S. Chidambara and other officers were present.

'Name Film City after Puttanna Kanagal'

Raghu Kautilya



Puttanna Kanagal

Mysuru, Dec. 3 (MTY&DM)- State BJP OBC Morcha President Raghu R. Kautilya has urged the Government to name the film city (Chitranagari) coming up near Mysuru, after late Director Puttanna Kanagal and also to convert Puttanna Kanagal's ancestral house at Periyapatna as a museum.

He was speaking at 'Puttanna Nenapinangala' event organised by Karunamayi Vishnu Abhimani Balaga, marking the birth anniversary of S.R. Puttanna Kanagal, at Tagadur Ramachandrarao Park near Chamundipuram Circle here on Monday.

Pointing out that Puttanna Kanagal, a native of Periyapatna in Mysuru, had made in his own mark in making social and family oriented cinemas, which have sent out a message to the society on domestic matters, Raghu said that most of his cinemas attracted a good number of viewers.

"The role of Onake Obavva in the popular Puttanna Kanagal's hit film 'Nagara Haavu' made in the 1970s, still continues to enhance the patriotic fervour in the younger generation of today. 'Chamayya Meshtru' and 'Ramachari' characters in the film highlights the relationship between Guru-Shishya," Raghu said adding that most of Puttanna's films stoke up emotional feelings and thoughts in the minds of the public. He further said that great actors like Dr. Vishnuvardhan, Ambarish and Srinath hogged the limelight in Kannada cinema because of Puttanna, who honed and fine tuned their acting skills. Social worker Raghuram Vajpayee too spoke.

Floral tributes were offered to the portrait of Puttanna Kanagal on the occasion.

Former Corporator M.D. Parthasarathy, Karunamayi Vishnu Abhimani Balaga President S.N. Rajesh, Mysore Co-operative Bank Director Paduvarahalli Ramakrishna, KPCC Member Nazarbad Nataraj, KMPK Trust President Vikram Iyengar, Girish, Kadakola Jagadish, Vinay Kanagal, Apoorva Suresh, Ranganath, Dharmendra, Nagendra Prasad and others were present.

Chemists and Druggists Welfare Assn. extends support to patients

Mysuru, Dec. 3 (KS)- The members of Mysuru District Chemists & Druggists Welfare Association (MDCDWA), on the occasion of World AIDS Day, visited Asha Kirana Hospital recently and extended support to patients undergoing treatment.

They were accompanied by Medical Officer of Asha Kirana Hospital Dr. VHT Swamy, who offered medical guidance and interacted with patients alongside the MDCDWA members.

The Association members, displaying their dedication to humanitarian service and strengthening patient care in the community, distributed medications, fruits and nutritional essentials, aimed at offering comfort, strength and hope to patients during their ongoing treatment and spent time encouraging patients and their caregivers.

Speaking on the occasion, Association President Kumaraswamy said, "As part of the healthcare fraternity, we hold a responsibility to stand by patients in need. This visit is a reflection of our commitment to social welfare."

Association Secretary Amanulla Khan said, "MDCDWA will continue to organise similar programmes across Mysuru to support patients and healthcare institutions. Our goal is to reach communities that need us the most."

MDCDWA Treasurer K.N. Naveen Kumar and others were present.

Leprosy campaign: 2 children found infected; 863 suspected cases

Teams detecting symptoms at Mysuru Urban and Rural areas, Nanjangud and T. Narasipur taluks; campaign to conclude on Dec. 9

The officers instructing the staff involved in door-to-door survey, as part of Leprosy Case Detection Campaign, in Mysuru district.

Mysuru, Dec. 3 (PM&BS)- The Leprosy Case Detection Campaign, that was launched in the district on Nov. 24, has so far identified two confirmed cases in children and 863 suspected cases, in Mysuru Urban and Rural, Nanjangud and T. Narasipur taluks. The campaign concludes on Dec. 9.

During the survey, the officers visited 41,698 households comprising Mysuru Urban and Rural and two taluks, covering a population of 1,18,039. Among them, two children were diagnosed to be suffering from leprosy, albeit in a mild manner, while 863 were suspected to have caught the symptoms.

Target set

Including Mysuru Urban and Rural and two taluks, the target has been set to visit total 76,980 households, aiming to reach 3,09,984 people. A total of 215 teams, comprising 550 officers have been constituted for the purpose, with 27 involved in supervising the campaign.

In Mysuru Urban & Rural areas alone, a total of 44,418 households have been marked for the visit, followed by 85,897 in Nanjangud and 51,800 in T. Narasipur. Team wise, 159 teams comprising 318 officers are involved in the task, followed by 13 teams comprising 146 in Nanjangud taluk and 43 teams including 86 officers in T. Narasipur taluk.

Slit Skin Smear Test

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, District Leprosy Eradication Officer Dr. B. Brinda clarified, the suspected 863 cases still need to undergo a detailed diagnosis. The lab technicians at Primary Health Centres (PHCs) have been trained in running a Slit Skin Smear Test, with the facilities provided to conduct the tests at respective PHCs itself.

Every team consists of a male Health Officer and female Asha Worker, so that they can test the people gender wise respectively. Daily target of visiting 25 houses in Urban and 20 in rural areas have been set for the enumerators.

'Focus on taluks with most cases'

Dr. B. Brinda

The Leprosy Case Detection Campaign is selectively more focused on Mysuru Urban and Rural areas, T. Narasipur and Nanjangud taluks, for the highest number of leprosy cases are detected in those areas. A total of 39 leprosy patients in Mysuru Urban & Rural and T. Narasipur and Nanjangud taluks are under treatment, including 20 in Mysuru Urban & Rural and 19 (including the old cases) in the two taluks, said Dr. Brinda.

Dr. Brinda further clarified that, confirmed case of leprosy in two children are not of serious nature. It is classified as a paucibacillary (PB) case and shall be treated for a period of six months.

New cases

In Mysuru, 47 new leprosy cases have been detected from April to Oct. 2025 and 56 leprosy cases have completed the treatment cycle during the same period.

If the leprosy patients require reconstructive surgery (RCS surgery), the operation will be conducted freely, without charging them. Besides, such patients will be eligible for the financial aid of Rs. 12,000 from the Government. That apart, they will be given multi-cellular rubber (MCR) footwear twice in a year. The leprosy patients will be treated and provided with medicine for free at all the Government hospitals, Dr. Brinda added.

Raid on houses yields 2-kg ganja, Rs. 7.30 lakh cash, lethal weapons

Two arrested in Mandi Police limits

Roshan

Firdhosh

Mysuru, Dec. 3 (RK&KS)- The City Crime Branch (CCB) Police, who raided three houses in Mandi Police limits yesterday, have seized a substantial quantity of ganja, cash and lethal weapons besides arresting two persons.

Armed with search warrants, the CCB Police, led by Asst. Commissioner of Police (ACP) Mohammed Sharif Rawathar, raided three houses during which they found 2-kg ganja, Rs. 7.30 lakh cash, 10 swords, other lethal weapons & seized them.

The CCB Police have also arrested two persons identified as Roshan Begh and Firdhosh Pasha besides launching a search to nab others, who are absconding.

A case has been registered at Mandi Police Station.

Though the Police are conducting anti-narcotics operations continuously after the Mumbai Police, with the support of Mysuru Police, conducted a massive anti-narcotics operation on a sophisticated drugs manufacturing setup hidden inside a vehicle garage along the Ring Road service lane at Belavatha in July this year, drugs peddling is still going on and yesterday's raid is an example for it.

It is to be known how ganja and other narcotic substances are being transported into the city and stored in houses despite the Police keeping vigil on drug peddlers and also how lethal weapons such as daggers, machetes (long) and other such weapons are being manufactured and supplied to anti-social elements though City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar re-launched the Anti-Rowdy Squad recently.

Obituary

Dr. K. Yashodhara

Mysuru, Dec. 3- Dr. K. Yashodhara (73), retired Professor of Education, University of Mysore and a resident of Premier Residency Apartment on Dewan's Road, passed away yesterday in city.

She had held various posts including the Chairperson, Dean and Professor, Department of Education Studies at the University of Mysore.

Daughter of late K.T. Kalachar and Basavarajamma, she is survived by five younger sisters, two younger brothers and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill this afternoon.

Sadath Ulla Baig

Sadath Ulla Baig (82), retired Mechanic, Railway Workshop and a resident of B.T. Mill Layout on C.V. Road, 2nd Eidgah, passed away yesterday in city.

He leaves behind his wife, one daughter, three sons, son-in-law Rafiq Ahmed (driver at MCC Zone-7), grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza was performed yesterday at Eidgah Masjid on Mission Hospital Road after Isha Salath, followed by the burial at the Muslim Burial Grounds, near Tipu Circle.

H.S. Sarvamangala

H.S. Sarvamangala (69), wife of ex-serviceman H.S. Shankar and a resident of Rishab Sidhi Layout in Kergalli, passed away following a heart attack on Dec. 1 in city.

She leaves behind her husband, son Nandeesh, daughter Nagarathna, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Veerashaiva Burial Grounds at Vidyaranyapuram yesterday.

Jayamma

Srirangapatna: Jayamma (Muddamma), wife of Congress leader late Kempegowda and a resident of Sugganahalli in Srirangapatna taluk, passed away on Dec. 1. She was 92.

She leaves behind five sons, two daughters, daughters-in-law, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Sugganahalli yesterday, according to family sources.

Sisterhood for fitness

3K/5K run on Dec. 7

Mysuru, Dec. 3 (VNS)- Bengaluru-based SistersInSweat, a community dedicated to women's sport and wellness, will be organising SIS X Mysore Run on Dec. 7 from SAPA Bakery in Gokulam.

This run is organised exclusively for women and the entry fee is Rs. 350. Interested can visit *www.sistersinsweat.com/events* to register themselves for the run.

The event will begin with a warm-up at 6.45 am followed by 3K/5K run. Every participant will receive a sandwich.

SistersInSweat, co-founded by Swetha Subbaiah, performance coach and Tanvie Hans, a professional footballer in 2017 at Bengaluru with a group of 17 women, has now over 15,000 active members across Delhi, Mumbai, Hyderabad and Bengaluru.

The organisation was started with an aim of bringing back women to sport and provide them a platform to enjoy playing sport with a community of like-minded woman.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Swetha Subbaiah said SistersInSweat with an aim to extend its activities in Mysuru is organising Mysore Run on Dec. 7 (Sunday) for women.

Major political changes after Sankranthi: Kodi Mutt Seer

K.R. Pet, Dec. 3 (BCT)- Kodi Mutt's Sri Shivananda Shivayogi Rajendra Swamiji has predicted significant changes in Karnataka's political landscape following *Makara Sankranthi.*

Kodi Mutt Seer

Speaking to reporters at K.R. Pet after participating in Hariharapura Sri Anjaneyaswamy Rathotsava, he said, "Just as the jasmine atop Shiva's crown must eventually fall at his feet, the political confusion in the State will settle, bringing a peaceful conclusion. The leadership tussle will be resolved after Sankranthi."

Swamiji clarified that he was neither a fortune-teller nor an astrologer, but possessed the ability to foresee upcoming developments. He added that even at the national-level, challenges would emerge after Ugadi, including the possibility of unpleasant incidents similar to the recent bomb blasts.

Defending the role of religious leaders in public life, he remarked, "When politicians make politics their profession, why should pontiffs not offer suggestions for the welfare of society?

"First, we must move away from casteism. The caste system is a curse upon civil society. Only when pontiffs break free from caste shackles and stand firmly for building a casteless society will true change be possible," he noted.

The Swamiji expressed concern that present-day politics has lost its direction, with ideals and values disappearing. He lamented that wealthy real estate lobbies were dominating the political sphere, which he described as a worrying trend for the future of democracy.

Blood donation, free health check-up camp on Dec. 7

Mysuru, Dec. 3 (KS) - As part of Navy Day - 2025, Naval Veterans Association, Mysuru, along with Jeevadhara Blood Bank, Yuva Brigade, Kaveri Vidya Samsthe, No. 3 Karnataka Naval NCC and other organisations has organised a blood donation camp and a free health check-up camp on Dec. 7 from 9.30 am to 1 pm at Kaveri Vidya Samsthe, Kuvempunagar in city. For details, contact Mob: 94498-23444.

The Naval Veterans Association has also organised Naval Veterans Milan on Dec. 14 at a private hotel in Lingadevarakoppal, Belawadi in city. For details, contact Mob: 94498-23444 or 94495-57828 or 96863-92949.

CM-Dy.CM breakfast meet

Twin Cartier watches steal spotlight

[Pic. courtesy: Internet]

Bengaluru, Dec. 3 (BCT)- A breakfast meeting hosted yesterday by Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar for Chief Minister Siddaramaiah at his Sadashivanagar residence turned into a political spectacle — and not because of the much-hyped *nati koli* (country chicken) curry.

Instead, public attention zeroed in on the luxury timepieces strapped to the wrists of both leaders. Siddaramaiah and Shivakumar were seen wearing identical Cartier watches, each reportedly costing a staggering Rs. 43 lakh.

Photographs taken after the meeting showed the duo sporting the same model from the French luxury brand, instantly triggering speculation: Was this a calculated display of solidarity or simply an expensive coincidence? Whatever the reason, the conversation quickly shifted from optics to opulence.

The matching watches also revived memories of Siddaramaiah's infamous 2016 "Hublot controversy," when CM's pricey watch became a political storm.

Sources insisted that the similarity was purely coincidental. Both leaders, they claimed, have sizeable watch collections and the CM has been wearing the Cartier for about a month.

Hublot row

The Opposition BJP wasted no time capitalising on the moment, posting on social media: "Both the CM and Dy.CM were seen wearing Cartier watches worth Rs. 43 lakh. What great service have you rendered to the State to receive such an expensive gift? Kannadigas await your explanation."

On X, the BJP circulated a video recalling Siddaramaiah's earlier Hublot controversy. During his first term as CM (2013-2018), he was forced to declare that pricey Hublot — allegedly gifted by a businessman — as a State asset after a political uproar.

"Back then, Rs. 70 lakh (Hublot), today Rs. 43 lakh (Cartier). The watch has changed, but the extravagant mindset hasn't. Siddaramaiah, who masquerades as a socialist while leading an extravagant life, is this your idea of social justice?" BJP charged.

Extravagant mindset

BJP accused Siddaramaiah of betraying his proclaimed socialist values, arguing that flaunting a "Santos de Cartier" while Karnataka battles drought and infrastructure collapse exposes an "extravagant mindset."

Cartier, among the world's most exclusive watchmakers, is synonymous with wealth and prestige. The model seen on the leaders reportedly features an anti-reflective sapphire crystal, water-resistant casing, gold-and-silver finish, a seven-sided crown set with rose gold and an eight-year warranty with complimentary servicing.

Often worn by global elites — from business tycoons to celebrities and even British Royal Family — Cartier watches have long been a symbol of luxury. Princess Diana herself was known to own several.

What was meant to be a warm, private breakfast has now snowballed into a debate. The luxury watches have overshadowed even the *nati koli* curry, reigniting discussions on wealth, symbolism and political accountability in Karnataka's corridors of power.

'DK, DK' & 'Siddu, Siddu' chants greet Venugopal in Mangaluru

Mangaluru, Dec. 3 (Agencies)- A day after Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Deputy CM D.K. Shivakumar projected a strong show of unity, Congress General Secretary K.C. Venugopal was greeted with loud "DK, DK" chants at Mangaluru International Airport.

Congress workers who had gathered at the airport this morning to welcome Venugopal broke into slogans backing as soon as he stepped out of the terminal.

Venugopal arrived in Mangaluru to attend the centenary celebrations of the historic dialogue between Mahatma Gandhi and Narayana Guru, organised by Sivagiri Mutt, Varkala, in association with Mangalore University Sri Narayana Guru Study Chair, at the University campus in Konaje. The event was to be inaugurated by CM Siddaramaiah.

Pro-Siddu chants: Shortly after, when CM Siddaramaiah landed, his own supporters countered with slogans like "Siddu, Siddu, Poornaavadhi Siddu" (full-term CM Siddaramaiah), asserting that he should complete his five-year term until 2028.

SLOGAN WAR: Supporters of CM Siddaramaiah and Deputy CM D.K. Shivakumar engaged in a slogan war at the Mangaluru Airport this morning, highlighting the ongoing power tussle within the State Congress

This public display of factionalism occurred despite two recent breakfast meetings between the two leaders, where they had presented a show of unity and asserted that there were no divisions. The "war of optics," as described by some reports, brought the internal speculation about a potential mid-term change in leadership out into the open.

PMO's new complex named 'Seva Teerth'

Raj Bhavans, the residences of Governors renamed as 'Lok Bhavans'

New Delhi, Dec. 3 (Agencies)- The new complex housing the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) will be called Seva Teerth, officials announced yesterday.

Previously known as the Executive Enclave, the complex is now in its final stages of completion, marking a significant milestone in the Central Vista redevelopment project.

Officials described Seva Teerth as a workplace designed to embody the spirit of service — a space "where national priorities take shape." They emphasised that India's public institutions are undergoing a "quiet but profound shift," with governance moving from satta (power) to seva (service), and from authority to responsibility. "The change is not just administrative, but cultural and moral," they added.

The enclave will accommodate the PMO along with the offices of the Cabinet Secretariat, the National Security Council Secretariat and India House, which will serve as a venue for high-level talks with visiting dignitaries.

As part of this broader shift in governance philosophy, Raj Bhavans — the official residences of State Governors — are being renamed Lok Bhavans. The Central Secretariat has also been rechristened Kartavya Bhavan.

Officials noted that under PM Modi, spaces of governance have been reshaped to reflect principles of kartavya (duty) and transparency. "Every name, every building and every symbol now points to a simple idea: Government exists to serve," they said.

Several landmarks have already been renamed in recent years. Rajpath became Kartavya Path, while the Prime Minister's official residence was renamed Lok Kalyan Marg in 2016, a name intended to convey welfare rather than exclusivity.

Launch of 'Swastha Mysuru' initiative in city on Dec. 5

Mysuru, Dec. 3 (KS)- With a focus to reduce the burden of Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs), H.H. Sri Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar Foundation and Arogya World India Trust have organised an event to launch 'Swastha Mysuru' initiative in city.

The initiative will be launched on Dec. 5 at Wadiyar Centre for Architecture, Krishnaraja Boulevard, in city at 10.30 am.

In this endeavour, Corporates, Government bodies, Civil Society and Academia will be joining together to make the citizens of this heritage city healthier.

For details, log on to *www.arogyacity.in/swastha-mysuru/* or e-mail: *swasthamysuru.hhsnwf@gmail.com* or *archana@arogyaworld.org*

KSRTC plans four new depots to ease pressure

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For long-distance and rural routes, a state-of-the-art bus terminal is already under construction at Bannimantap at a cost of Rs. 120 crore.

To accommodate the imminent arrival of 100 electric buses, another supporting unit is also being planned at Bannimantap.

The Mysuru division currently operates 517 buses, including 127 from Nanjangud. With the new batch of electric buses, the fleet strength will rise to 617.

The Grade-1 upgrade and the Peripheral Ring Road are expected to widen city limits further, bringing more areas and villages into the transport fold. This will require an additional 200 buses, taking the city fleet to around 800.

New starting points for improved convenience

Currently, buses operate from the main city bus station and the final route starting points. With the Grade-1 expansion, more such points will be needed, including routes into private layouts. Establishing starting points near the Ring Road and Peripheral Ring Road will help distribute demand and improve route efficiency.

A proposal is being sent to the District Administration and the Mysuru Development Authority (MDA) seeking allocation of eight acres of land (Civic Amenities Site) in each of the four directions — six acres for a depot and two for a bus station.

Officials will request either Government land or permission to purchase private land. Setting up depots and stations near the proposed Peripheral Ring Road will not only ease passenger movement but also boost commercial activity. A formal request will shortly be made to MDA to identify and earmark suitable land.

30-year Lalitha Mahal lease comes with strict rules

Mysuru, Dec. 3 (BLU&DM)- The Lalitha Mahal Palace Hotel in Mysuru is being leased out for 30 years. Under the tender conditions, the company securing the contract must first carry out a complete renovation of the building, strictly adhering to the guidelines laid down in the tender.

Only after the restoration is completed will the Government hand over full management of the property for the duration of the lease. As part of the agreement, the selected company must deposit a fixed sum with the State Government, which will remain in the Government treasury for all 30 years. The tender clearly states that if the company causes any damage to the structure or compromises its traditional architectural beauty at any point during the lease period, the Government will forfeit the deposit.

Expert committee formed: An expert committee has been constituted to oversee and guide the renovation. Under the tender conditions, the company awarded the contract must strictly follow the committee's directions and will not be permitted to deviate from its recommendations.

The Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) has already submitted a detailed report to the State Government outlining the approved procedures for restoration.

To ensure that the Palace's heritage and architectural integrity remain intact, the traditional expert committee will make periodic site visits to review progress and provide technical guidance.

The tender-winning company will be required to comply with every instruction issued by the committee, without exception. Further, the contract mandates that the company maintain the structure and aesthetic value throughout the entire 30-year lease period, ensuring that no harm is caused to its heritage character.

Lalitha Mahal revival

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Many tender revisions

Although the tender was initiated eight months ago, several revisions were made to ensure the restoration does not compromise the palace's architectural heritage. These repeated modifications delayed the process, leading to the new final deadline of Dec. 20.

It remains unclear how many firms have responded to the global tender. Since submissions are entirely online, JLR will open the bids only after the deadline. The company offering the highest financial return to the government will be shortlisted, in compliance with the related norms.

Operators must pay Rs. 4 crore annually, plus 10 percent: JLR

Mysuru, Dec. 3 (BLU&DM)- The company that wins the contract to manage Mysuru's Lalitha Mahal Palace Hotel will be required to pay the State Government a guaranteed annual amount of Rs. 4 crore, along with an additional 10 percent over this sum, said Prashanth, Managing Director of Jungle Lodges and Resorts (JLR), Bengaluru.

Among the bidders, the company that offers more than the government's stipulated minimum will secure the tender. JLR has been entrusted with the responsibility of overseeing the entire process, he added.

As the Palace is a heritage structure with traditional architectural elements, several revisions were made to the renovation-related tender conditions. These modifications, aimed at protecting the building's character, caused delays even though the tender was first issued eight months ago. The final deadline for submitting applications is now Dec. 20.

Once bids are opened, the Government will follow required procedures before awarding the contract to the eligible bidder. As a result, officials said it is not possible to confirm that renovation will begin immediately after the deadline. The restoration will be undertaken without marring the Palace's beauty and heritage.

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67th Akashvani Sangeet Sammelan Music Concerts in Mysuru

Mridanga Taranga... Where Rhythm became Raga

Prasar Bharati and Ministry of Culture came together with the Director General, Akashvani, to present 67th Akashvani Sangeet Sammelan at city's Ganabharathi auditorium on the 23rd of this month. The evening featured two concerts — a mridanga concert 'Mridanga Taranga' by city's well-known mridangist **H.L. Shivashankar Swamy** followed by a veena recital by the distinguished veena artiste of the city young **Dr. S.V. Sahana.**

H.L. Shivashankar Swamy presenting 'Mridanga Taranga' music programme during 67th Akashvani Music Conference at Ganabharathi's Veene Seshanna Bhavan in Kuvempunagar on Nov. 23. He is accompanied by Adarsh Shenoy on tabla, Anush Shetty on percussion, Sangeet Thomas on keyboard, Sameer Rao on flute and Dr. Jyotsna Srikanth on violin.

The first of the two, 'Mridanga Taranga,' was a unique concept, a never-heard-before event with the mridanga as the main artiste. While several other artistes were also involved in the concert, mridanga took the centre stage as the primary melodic, rhythmic and expressive medium.

While violin accompaniment by renowned violinist **Dr. Jyotsna Srikanth,** flute accompaniment by accomplished flautist **Sameer Rao**, keyboard accompaniment by eminent **Sangeet Thomas**, tabla accompaniment by famed **Adarsh Shenoy** and percussion support by **Anush Shetty** enriched the concert with their rich playing, the mridanga appealed to all with its musical charm.

Conceptualised and performed by Shivashankar Swamy, the concert was an experiment in expanding the mridangist's role from accompaniment to principal narrator. What unfolded was a sophisticated, well-structured, artistically bold concert that demonstrated the instrument's vast expressive potential — far beyond tala keeping.

Shivashankar had chosen Brindavan Saranga for the evening. While one wondered how a mridangist played a full composition with manodharma, Shivashankar surprised everyone playing a Raga-Thana Pallavi in the raga. It was a treat to watch him play the mridanga — 15 of them all arranged in a row around him and tuned in three sthayis too !

The ragalapana came first, which was free-flowing improvisatory exploration akin to a ragalapana, which established a meditative mood, re-framing the audience's ear to listen to percussion not as beats but as 'voice.' The Tanam exhibited modulation of timbre, texture, pitch hints and resonance. The pallavi was a swara pallavi set to Adi tala in two kalai. Just as a vocalist or an instrumentalist, Shivashankar played the pallavi full-fledged, in three speeds in Anuloma and Viloma, (which came to him naturally as a mridangist) also followed by kalpana swaras in trishra, Khanda, Mishra and Sankeerna Nades, which invited tremendous applause from the excited audience.

Jyothsna enriched the texture with her supportive bowing. The 'taniyavartanam' was marked by mathematical elegance. The entire orchestra condensed into a single percussive body. Each artiste had moments to shine without disturbing the central concept.

Shivashankar concluded his concert with the celebrated 'Vande Mataram,' which was a welcome piece as the entire nation is celebrating the 150th anniversary of Vande maataram.

'Mridanga Taranga' proved that percussion can transcend its accompanist identity and emerge as a full-fledged lead instrument. It requires not only skill but also physical strength to manage 15 mridangas singly. Kudos to Shivashankar Swamy for this brilliant innovation.

Authentic, appealing & distinctive Veena concert

Dr. S.V. Sahana giving a veena concert at the 67th Akashvani Music Conference on Nov. 23. She is accompanied by Arjun Kumar on mridanga and G.S. Ramanujam on ghata.

Veena Concert

In the second slot of the Akashvani Sangeet Sammelan, **Dr. S.V. Sahana** gave a veena concert with **Arjun Kumar** on mridanga and **G.S. Ramanujam** on ghata.

An artiste of repute, Sahana is the recipient of Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar by Sangeet Natak Akademi. Known for her clean technique and quiet intensity, Sahana delivered a performance that was dignified and musically mature.

Sahana had selected a good choice of compositions for the evening from three different composers. 'Maate Malayadhwaja,' a Daru Varna in Khamas by Muthiah Bhagavatar was her opener choice, which was a neat presentation. The speed in which she rendered the composition was lively and at once established the required mood for the concert. 'Sarasiruha Nayane' by Sri Tyagaraja in Amrutavarshini was a pleasant surprise as it is rarely heard in concerts. Swift swaras to the pallavi section came in quick succession. It is to be noted that this is one of the few compositions in which Sri Tyagaraja has woven Ragamudra into the composition 'Amrutavarshani maravaku lalite tyagarajanute' towards the end of the composition. Kalpana swaras before launching into the main item of the evening were brisk and fluent with no jarring notes.

The Alapana of Kambhoji flowed smoothly from the veena and the nuances of the raga swaroopa were captivating. It is always a pleasure to listen to tana on the veena. Sahana employed the veena techniques of holds and glides here to telling effect, thereby creating a mood of celebration. In Deekshitar's kriti 'Shri subrammaNyaaya namaste,' intricate gamakas rendered with impeccable left-hand finesse were articulated with textbook precision and the tempo chosen let the emotive quality of the raga breathe. Kalpana swaras anchored at 'VAsavAdi sakala dEva vanditAya' were intellectually satisfying.

Arjun Kumar and Ramanujam matched each other in exchanging sharp and powerful strokes while accompanying as well and the taniyavartanam was tidy and full of power.

Sahana closed the concert with the ever-appealing Lalgudi tillana in Madhuvanti which was bright and precise.

The venue proved inadequate for the large turnout and the heavy camera equipment. Despite placing extra chairs along the corridors, many listeners were left standing and some even left early for lack of seats. A large hall would certainly have done justice to the scale of the event and the invitations extended to the artistes.

—Dr Padmavathi Narasimhan

Bharatanatyam Rangapravesha of Vidu. Nayanashree tomorrow

Mysuru, Dec. 3- Bharatanatyam Rangapravesha of Vidu. Nayanashree (daughter of Lalithamba and B.S. Shantharaju), disciple of Guru Vidu. Nagashree Phaneendrakumar, will be held at Ganabharathi's Ramagovinda Kalavedike in Kuvempunagar tomorrow (Dec. 4) at 6 pm, under the aegis of Shree Nataraja Performing Arts Centre, Mysuru.

The event will be inaugurated by V.N. Mallikarjunaswamy, Joint Director, Kannada & Cultural Department, Mysuru.

Guru Vidu. Dr. Kripa Phadke, Director, Nrityagiri and Prof. K. Ramamurthy Rao, Director, Noopura Kalavidaru Samskrutika Trust, will be the chief guests. Balaraju, President, Shree Nataraja Performing Arts Centre, will preside.

A special Guruvandana will be offered to Guru Vidu. Nagashree Phaneendrakumar, Director, Shree Nataraja Performing Arts Centre.

Vidu. Nayanashree

The musical ensemble will feature Vidu. Nagashree Phaneendrakumar (natuvanga), Vid. Deepu Karunakaran (vocal), Vid. G.S. Nagaraj (mridanga) and Vid. A.P. Krishna Prasad (flute).

City MMA & Grappling athletes shine

Mysuru, Dec. 3- Fourteen MMA athletes of the Academy of Martial Science (AMS) and five athletes of SMITE Academy, under the aegis of Mysore Combat Sports Association (MCSA), have won 10 gold, 4 silver and 3 bronze medals in the MMA India Open Championship - 2025 held in Jaipur recently.

Team Karnataka, with a total medal tally of 25, emerged as one of the most successful teams at the event.

Three grapplers of AMS participated in the first edition of TCF Open Jiujitsu Championship in Bengaluru and won a gold and a bronze medal.

*Seen in the picture are (standing from left) **Manohar, Ashwin, Maseeha, Afza, Akshatha, Namrata, Coach Kavya, Coach Samarth, Kru. Vikram, Coach Kiran, Coach Ayan Ali, Akshay, Robert, Areez, Jhenkar, Suprith and Shreeshan;** (kneeling) **Shreyas, Owais, Aanya, Arhaan, Tanvi, Kushal, Eeshan, Ayaan Ali, Preetham and Thanmay.***

Results

1. Aanya: Female Youth E, 45 kg catch weight div - Gold Medal; **2.** Tanvi: Female Youth E, 45 kg catch weight div - Silver Medal; **3.** Arhan Pasha: Youth E, 27 kg div - Gold Medal; **4.** Eeshan: Youth D, 45 kg catch weight div - Gold Medal; **5.** Kushal Gowda: Youth D, 45 kg catch weight div - Silver Medal.

6. Ayan Ali: Youth C, 44 kg div - Gold Medal; **7.** Owais Ahmed: Youth C, 44 kg div - Silver Medal; **8.** Maseeha Khan: Female Youth C, 70 kg div - Gold Medal; **9.** R. Namrata: Female Youth B, 61.2 kg div - Gold Medal; **10.** Afza: Female Youth B, 52.2 kg div - Gold Medal.

11. Mohammed Areez: Youth B, 52.2 kg div - Silver Medal; **12.** J. Ashwin: Youth A, 74.2 kg div - Gold Medal; **13.** Thanmay: Youth A, 61.2 kg div - Quarter Finalist; **14.** Preetham: Junior Straw weight - Bronze Medal; **15.** Shreeshan: Junior super middle weight - Gold Medal; **16.** Robert: Senior Straw weight - Quarter finalist; **17.** Jhenkar Saheb: Senior Feather weight (semi contact) - Gold Medal; **18.** Shreyas - Senior Straw weight (semi contact) - Bronze Medal and **19.** R.P. Akshay: Junior bantam weight (semi contact) - Bronze Medal.

Grappling Results

1. Akshatha Shanbhogue: 54 kgs - Gold Medal; **2.** Manohar: 80 kgs - Bronze Medal and **3.** Suprith: 70 kgs - Quarter Finalist.

CAR bags overall championship

City Armed Reserve (CAR) Police team has won the overall championship in the Mysuru City Police Sports Meet held at CAR Grounds in city recently. Picture shows the trophy being handed over to the winning team by Zilla Panchayat CEO S. Ukesh Kumar and former International athlete Arjun Devaiah in the presence of City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar, DCPs R.N. Bindu Mani, K.S. Sundar Raj, Siddanagouda Patil, Maruthi, Kumaraswamy and Nandini.

Wins gold in athletics

Mysuru, Dec. 3- P. Chiranth, a II PUC student of Trinity College, has won a gold medal in the 100 mts sprint at the 69th National School Games held in Haryana recently.

Chiranth recorded an impressive timing of 10.66 secs, demonstrating outstanding athletic talent, discipline and determination.

P. Chiranth

Excel in inter-collegiate sports

M. Varsha

N. Bharath

C.S. Anush

Kunal

Shreyas Gowda

Mysuru, Dec. 3- The students of Trinity First Grade College, Mysuru, have excelled in the Inter-Collegiate Sports competitions organised by the University of Mysore in city recently for the academic year 2025-2026.

M. Varsha, 3rd semester, BCA, secured first place in the artistic yoga competition and has qualified for the National-level Yoga Championship to be held in Bengaluru.

N. Bharath, 3rd semester, B.Com, has won first place in the Greeco-Roman Wrestling competition and qualified for the National-level Wrestling Championship to be held in Chandigarh.

C.S. Anush, 5th semester, BBA, has won silver medal in the Karate competition.

Kunal, a 5th semester, BBA, has won bronze medal in the Best Physique competition and **P. Shreyas Gowda,** 3rd Semester, B.Com, won silver medals in both Karate and Kickboxing competitions.

Marlin Aquatic Centre team wins bronze

Mysuru, Dec. 3- Marlin Aquatic Centre Girls Waterpolo Team has won bronze medal at the 2nd Capt. C. Shanmugham (U-15 age) State Waterpolo Championship - 2025-26 held at Basavanagudi Aquatic Centre in Bengaluru recently.

The team is coached by former Indian team waterpolo players D.M. Mithun, K.V. Nagaraj and Swimming Head Coach K.S. Mahesha.

The aquatic team comprised J.H. Tanmayegowri, Y. Ayushi, S. Amrutha, Dhanika Lokesh, Hathi Nityashri, Gowri Tejas, B. Lekha, M.J. Kashvi Kaveramma, G.S. Anwitha Sai, Saanvi Viphan, H. Rushika, B.P. Lyric Ponnakka, Aditi B.C. Gowda and A. Rishika Tani.

WORD OF THE DAY

Amalgamate

Pronunciation: uh-MAL-guh-mayt (verb).

Meaning: Amalgamate is a formal verb meaning "to unite (two or more things) into one thing."

Origin: Today, one can amalgamate — that is, combine into one — any two (or more) things, such as hip-hop and country music, for example. The origins of amalgamate, however, have more to do with heavy metal. Amalgamate comes from the Medieval Latin verb amalgamāre, meaning "to combine (a metal) with mercury." It's been part of English since the 1500s, its introduction closely trailing that of the noun amalgam (from the Medieval Latin amalgama), which in its oldest use means "a mixture of mercury and another metal." (In dentistry, amalgams combining liquid mercury with powders containing silver, tin, and other metals are sometimes used for filling holes in teeth). The word amalgamate can be used either technically, implying the creation of an alloy of mercury, or more generally for the formation of any compound or combined entity.

Example: "Ten years ago, there were 339 credit unions in Ireland, but that is down to 187, according to Central Bank figures. Part of the rationale for credit unions to amalgamate to create larger units is so they can expand their mortgage and business lending." —Charlie Weston, The Irish Independent, 28 Aug. 2025

THE ODD WORD

Abraxas

Gem engraved with mystical word and bearing human-animal figure.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

As high as a kite

Meaning: The phrase 'As high as a kite' means to feel very happy & excited.

Origin: Scholars know that the phrase 'As high as a kite' originated in the United States, but they do not agree on the time frame. The word 'high' was first used as a noun describing a state of euphoria in 1953, so the phrase is a relatively new one when taken in context with history of phrases in general.

Example: "Winning the prize gave my self-confidence a tremendous boost; I felt as high as a kite for several days afterwards."

QUOTE BOX

Kites rise highest against the wind, not with it. **—Winston Churchill**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

POWER •

Answer: Power point.

SUDOKU

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Answer to previous puzzle

5	2	9	4	7	1	6	3	8
8	7	6	2	9	3	4	5	1
1	4	3	8	6	5	9	7	2
4	6	5	3	8	2	1	9	7
2	9	7	1	5	6	3	8	4
3	8	1	9	4	7	5	2	6
7	1	4	5	2	9	8	6	3
9	3	2	6	1	8	7	4	5
6	5	8	7	3	4	2	1	9

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 ___ facto : by that very fact?
5 Cry of a cat
8 Drag
12 Tubular pasta
13 Poker stake
14 Pertaining to wings
15 Meant or signified
17 Musical note half the value of a semibreve
19 Employed
20 Ex-Indian captain ___ Contractor
22 South American animal
26 Fashion
29 Central European river
30 Not bright
31 Strap for holding a dog
33 Paddle
34 A burning liquid
36 ___ off : reprimands?
38 Tin or iron
40 Pop drink
41 Substantive word
43 Delete
47 Great Greek warrior
51 When split it causes an explosion
52 Regrets or repents
53 Familial favouritism
54 Netting
55 Old time classic movie Alam ___
56 Greek colonnade

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

G	A	U	R	■	E	V	E	R	■	I	I	I
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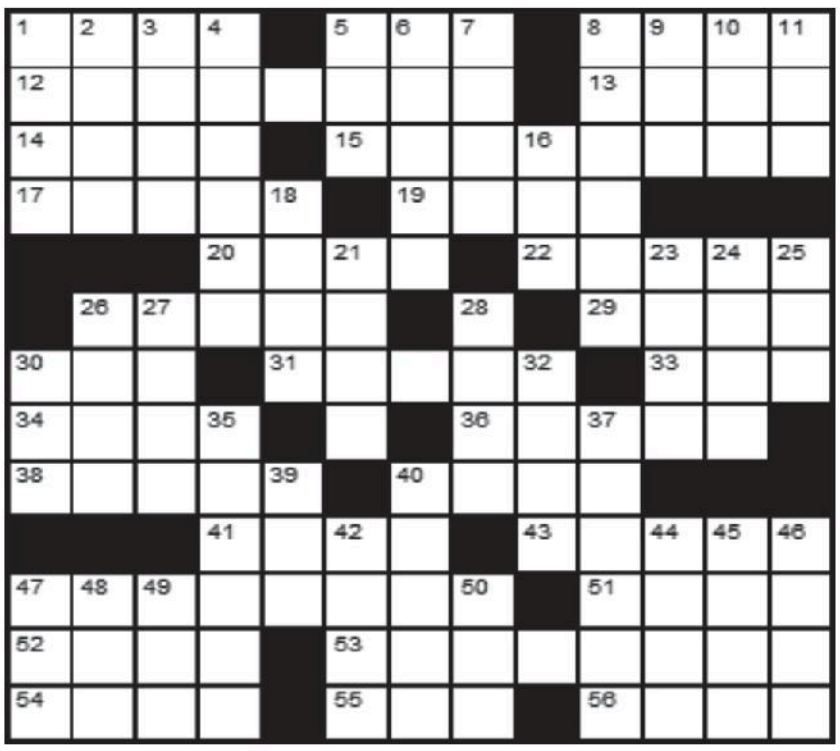
E	O	N	■	E	L	A	L	■	C	A	E	N
N	O	G	■	R	A	R	E	■	T	Y	R	E

DOWN

1 Moslem priest or learned man
2 Ancient Indic language
3 Glance over
4 Rowing or peddling the boat
5 Me, to Miss Piggy
6 Listlessness or discontentment, boredom
7 Intelligence; presence of mind
8 Deal with, control
9 A connecting word
10 Southwest Indian
11 Light-Emitting Diode
16 Long fish
18 Savage
21 Chain of rocks
23 Bollywood's and TV's ___ Nath
24 IIM grads.
25 Ireland's ___ Lingus
26 Gripping instrument
27 Leave out
28 Regarding (2,2)
30 Mother of four-footed animal?
32 Conceal
35 Of or pertaining to Denmark
37 Gem weights
39 Online laugh
40 Make a face
42 Bone of the forearm
44 Working (2,2)
45 Not too good and not too bad (2,2)
46 "Me am" changed for Austen's heroine?
47 Branch or wing; weapon
48 Signal to actor
49 He is, contracted?
50 Hydrotherapy site



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

P FUOPY APZR LOHLKO YXDZI YXOR PUO YXDZIDZF CXOZ

YXOR PUO AOUOKR UOPUUPZFDZF YXODU LUOBQGDMON.

TODAY'S CLUE: F EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: None of my patients are hypochondriacs, but you should see some of their owners. —Anonymous Veterinarian

SINGLE SCREEN THEATRES

- **Sangam Theatre** **Ph: 2520494**
  Operation London Cafe (OLC) (K) - 4 Shows
- **Woodlands Theatre** **Ph: 2422871**
  Maarutha (K) - 2 Shows; *Tere Ishk Mein (H)* - 2 Shows
- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** **Mob: 99008-20093**
  Nayi Idae Yecharikae (K) - 4 Shows
- **Prabha Theatre** **Mob: 98454-14691**
  Nayi Idae Yecharikae (K) - 4 Shows
- **Gayathri Theatre** **Ph: 2443568**
  GST (Ghosts in Trouble) (K) - 4 Shows
- **Lido Theatre** **Ph: 2420885**
  Flirt (K) - 4 Shows
- **Padma Theatre** **Ph: 2521923**
  Andhra King Taluka (Te) - 4 Shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** **Ph: 2423554**
  Tere Ishk Mein (Ta) - 4 Shows
- **Balaji Theatre** **Mob: 98863-25207**
  Tere Ishk Mein (H) - 3 Shows

MOVIES AT DRC CINEMAS Ph: 4240422 4241800

Zootopia 2 (E-3D)	(S-1)	10.50 am, 7.30 pm, 9.55 pm
Revolver Rita (Ta)	(S-1)	1.10 pm
Tere Ishk Mein (H)	(S-1)	4.10 pm; (S-4) 10 am, 7 pm, 10.20 pm
The Girl Friend (Te)	(S-2)	10.30 am
Sarangi (K)	(S-2)	1.25 pm
Flirt (K)	(S-2)	4 pm
Bank of Bhagyalakshmi (K)	(S-2)	7.20 pm
Eko (Ma)	(S-2)	10.25 pm; (S-3) 10.40 am
Operation London Cafe (OLC) (K)	(S-3)	1.35 pm
Acharya Sri Shankara (K)	(S-3)	4.30 pm
GST (Ghosts in Trouble) (K)	(S-3)	7.10 pm
Andhra King Taluka (Te)	(S-3)	10.05 pm
Nayi Idae Yecharikae (K)	(S-4)	1.20 pm
Kantara: A Legend Chapter - 1 (K)	(S-4)	3.40 pm

MOVIES AT MYC MYSURU VISION CINEMAS Ph: 2973519

Brat (K)	(S-1)	1 pm
GST (Ghosts in Trouble) (K)	(S-1)	4 pm
Bank of Bhagyalakshmi (K)	(S-1)	6.35 pm
Bicchugathiya Bantana Ballirena (K)	(S-1)	9.30 pm
Kantara: A Legend Chapter 1 (K)	(S-3)	1.15 pm
Zootopia 2 (E-3D)	(S-3)	4.30 pm, 6.45, 9 pm
Flirt (K)	(S-4)	1 pm, 6.30 pm
Operation London Cafe (OLC) (K)	(S-4)	4.05 pm, 9.35 pm

MOVIES AT NEXUS MALL

Tere Ishk Mein (H)	:	8.30 am, 10.10 am, 12 noon 3.30 pm, 7 pm, 10.30 pm
120 Bahadur (H)	:	10 am, 10.10 pm
Andhra King Taluka (Te)	:	10 am, 1 pm, 6.20 pm, 10 pm
Zootopia 2 (E-3D)	:	10.20 am, 3.55 pm
Zootopia 2 (H-3D)	:	9.40 pm
Tantra (2025) (K)	:	11.20 am
Spider-man: Far From Home (E)	:	12.45 pm
GST (Ghosts in Trouble) (K)	:	1.20 pm, 7 pm
Gustaakh Ishq (H)	:	1.40 pm, 4.25 pm, 10.20 pm
Gatha Vaibhava (K)	:	1.50 pm
Operation London Cafe (OLC) (K)	:	4.15 pm
Eko (Ma)	:	4.20 pm, 10.15 pm
Eternity (E)	:	4.45 pm
Bank of Bhagyalakshmi (K)	:	7.05 pm
Brat (K)	:	7.10 pm
Rangeela (H)	:	7.15 pm

MOVIES AT GARUDA MALL

Andhra King Taluka (Te)	:	10.20 am, 4.25 pm, 10.30 pm
Tere Ishk Mein (H)	:	10.30 am, 11.30 am, 3 pm, 6.30, 10 pm
Bicchugatthiya Bantana Ballirena (K)	:	1.25 pm
Operation London Cafe (OLC) (K)	:	1.40 pm
Zootopia 2 (E-3D)	:	2 pm, 7.45 pm
Revolver Rita (Ta)	:	4.05 pm
GST (Ghosts in Trouble) (K)	:	4.25 pm, 10.20 pm
Flirt (K)	:	7 pm
Bank of Bhagyalakshmi (K)	:	7.25 pm
Brat (K)	:	10.10 pm

EVENTS TODAY (DEC. 3)

- **Nypunya School of Excellence:** Nypunyothsava - Janapada Theru Annual Day celebrations, Actor and international dance artiste Yamuna Srinidhi inaugurates, Nypunya Gourava to senior journalists Siddaraju and Amshi Prasanna Kumar, Income Tax Commissioner Shivanand Kalkeri presides, Janapada Hejje - An event by Grades FY-1 to FY-3 CBSE students, Dattagalli campus, Janapada Meragu by Grades FY-3 to 10, ICSE students, R.T. Nagar campus, directed by Devananda Varaprasad, Kalamandira, **4 pm.**
- **Sri Raghavendraswamy Seva Samithi, Jayalakshmipuram:** Discourse on 'Mahabharata Tatparya Nirnaya' by Pt. Sri Vyasatheerthacharya, Sri Raghavendra- swamy Mutt premises, Jayalakshmipuram, **5 pm.**
- **JSS Sangeetha Sabha:** Jagadguru Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Mahaswamiji Memorial 30th Music Conference, veena recital by Dr. Surabhi Pustakam, accompanied by Sai Shivu Lakshmi Keshav on mridanga, **5.30 pm;** Vocal concert by Ramakrishnan Murthy, accompanied by Nishanth Chandran on violin, Tumkur B. Ravishankar on mridanga and M.R. Manjunath on ghata, Navajyothi Auditorium, JSS College for Women premises, Saraswathipuram, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sri Geethapracharini Sabha Trust, Mysuru (Geetha Mandira):** 91st Sri Gita Jayanti Mahotsava, Vishnu Sahasranama Parayana by Sri Vidyavishnu Sabha Trust, Mysuru, **5.45 pm;** Discourse on 'Sri Rama Charitra Manjari' by B.N. Madhawachar, Geetha Mandira, Ashoka Road, 33rd East Cross Road, Sri Geetha Mandira Road, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**
- **Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram:** Dattatreya Jayanti, Sanatana Datta Bandhu Mahotsava at Nada Mantapa, **6 pm;** Laksha Deepotsava at Hanuman Temple, Ashram premises, Nanjangud Road, Dattanagar, **8 pm.**

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Dec. 3: 'Kala Saptami,' weekly cultural programme, Staging of play 'Roshomon' by Sanchari Theatre; Direction - N. Mangala; Story - Raghuveer Sahe; Kannada - S. Malathi; Katthi Varase - Anju Singh; Music - Gajanana T. Naik; Make-up - Ramakrishna Kannarpady; Stage Design - Shivakumar Sungar; Lighting - Aravind Kuplikar/ D.T. Arun; Cast - V. Nagaraj, Chiranthan, Sandeep Jain, Dhanush Nag, Suraj Naik, R.M. Chukki and Abhishek Naik, Jagannatha Centre for Art and Culture (JCAC), Vijayanagar, **6 pm to 8 pm.** [Ticket price - Rs. 100]

EVENTS TOMORROW (DEC. 4)

- **Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram:** Sri Dattatreya Jayanti - Pavamana Homa & Sri Dattatreya Homa, **7 am;** Sri Chakra Puja, Tailabhisheka to Sri Kalagni Shamana Dattatreya Swamy, **9 am;** Sahasra Kalasha Tailabhisheka by devotees, **10 am;** Anagha Vrata, **11 am;** Teppotsava for Sri Dattatreya Swamy at Saptarshi Sarovara, **6.30 pm;** Kakadarati & Dolotsava for Sri Dattatreya Swamy, Nada Mantapa, Ashram premises, Nanjangud Road, **8 pm.**
- **JSS Sangeetha Sabha:** Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Mahaswamiji Memorial Music Conference, Sangeethanjali by disciples of Vid. Tumkur B. Ravishankar, **10 am;** Lec-Demo on Comparative study of Singing & Sumukha Veena by Sampagodu Vighnaraja, **10.30 am;** Soundarya Meemamse in Dikshitar's Kritis by Dr. T.S. Sathyavathi, **11.30 am;** Vocal concert by Medha Manjunath, S.A. Divyashree on violin and S.P. Nagendraprasad on mridanga, **5.30 pm;** Vocal concert by Sampagodu Vighnaraja, accompanied by Mathur Srinidhi on violin, Anirudh Bhat on mridanga and Sharath Kaushik on ghata, Navajyothi Auditorium, JSS College for Women premises, Saraswathipuram, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sadvidya Educational Institutions:** Satvika Sadvidya, School Anniversary celebrations, Sadvidya Educational Institutions Hon. President Prof. MSK Narahari Babu presides, actor & writer Yadushreshtha Srinidhi (*Sri Raghavendra Mahatme* serial's Thimmanna Bhattaru) chief guest, Sadvidya Educational Institutions Hon. Secretary M.D. Gopinath guest of honour, Jaganmohan Palace, **4.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Mysuru Cultural Association and Kalisu Foundation:** Book release — Journalist and writer Iythichanda Ramesh Uthappa's two Kannada books 'Saavina Satya - Arjuna, Ninna Kondaddu Madagajavalla, Paapi Manushya' and 'Dasara Aanegalu - Bhima Haagu Itararu' — former MP Prathap Simha inaugurates, former University of Mysore Syndicate Member Dr. E.C. Ningarajegowda and Mysuru District Congress President Dr. B.J. Vijaykumar will release the books, MCCI President K.B. Lingaraju presides; felicitation to Veterinarian Dr. Mujeeb-Ur-Rehman and late Dasara elephant 'Arjuna' fan K.R. Satyaprabha, Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), JLB Road, **10.30 am.**
- **Nypunya School of Excellence:** Nypunyothsava - Janapada Theru Annual Day celebrations, inauguration by University of Mysore (UoM) Registrar M.K. Savitha and Academic Consultant & Educationist Dr. L. Savitha, Nypunya Gaurava to Martial Arts and Film Art Director *Padma Shri* Dr. Hassan Raghu, Nypunya Group of Institutions Chairman R. Raghu presides; Janapada Sangama - A Presentation by CBSE Students of Grades 1 to 8, Dattagalli campus, directed by Raghuleela School of Music, Kalamandira, Hunsur Road, **4 pm.**
- **Kodava Samaja, Mysuru:** Puthari Namme-2025 celebrations, **7.30 pm;** Nere Kattuva ritual, **8.40 pm;** Kadh Edupa (reaping of new paddy crop), **9.40 pm;** Distribution of thambutt prasada, Sree Cauvery Educational Institutions, Kuvempunagar, **10.30 pm.**

MOVIES AT MALL OF MYSORE

Tere Ishk Mein (H)	:	9.55 am, 11 am, 2.30 pm, 6 pm, 9.30 pm
Andhra King Taluka (Te)	:	10 am, 12.55 pm, 10.20 pm
Andhra King Taluka (K)	:	6.40 pm
Zootopia 2 (E-3D)	:	10.30 am, 4.15 pm, 10 pm
Paatashaala (K)	:	1.20 pm
GST (Ghosts in Trouble) (K)	:	1.25 pm, 7.30 pm
Bank of Bhagyalakshmi (K)	:	4.25 pm
Brat (K)	:	4.25 pm
Eko (Ma)	:	7.35 pm
Rangeela (H)	:	10.30 pm

MOVIES AT CENTRO MALL

Eko (Ma)	:	10.20 am, 7.15 pm
Andhra King Taluka (Te)	:	11 am, 4 pm, 9.45 pm
Tere Ishk Mein (H)	:	11 am, 2.30 pm, 6 pm 9.30 pm, 10 pm
Zootopia 2 (E-3D)	:	11.10 am, 1.35 pm, 7.20 pm
GST (Ghosts in Trouble) (K)	:	1.10 pm, 7.30 pm
Bicchugatthiya Bantana Ballirena (K)	:	2.20 pm
Flirt (K)	:	4.05 pm
Nayi Idae Yecharikae (K)	:	5 pm
Revolver Rita (Ta)	:	10.30 pm

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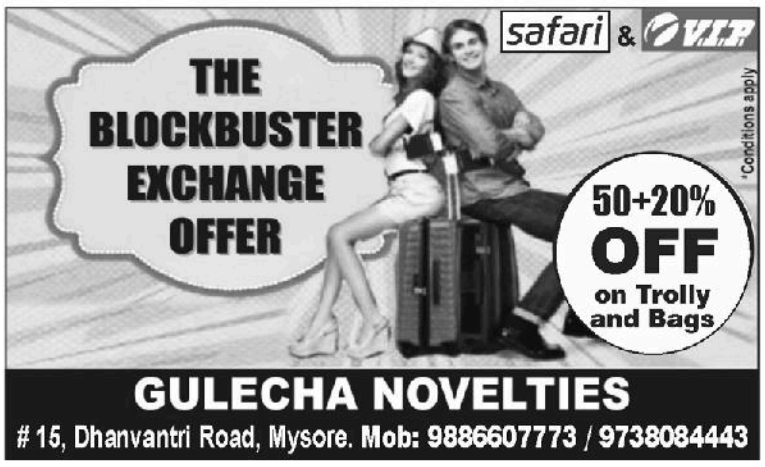

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